

## **Mark Lancaster**

Mark Lancaster graduated from Humboldt State University with a B.S in Forest Resource Management and Natural Resources Planning. He is a practicing forester, land use planner and since 1998 has served as Director of a multi-county conservation program that includes numerous federal, state, and local agencies. The 5C program ([www.5counties.org](http://www.5counties.org)) works cooperatively with private entities, non-profits and agencies in a diverse array of conservation work ranging from broad scale planning to project construction and post project monitoring. The program is housed at the Northwest California Resource Conservation & Development Council. 5C funding is provided by state, federal, and local grants, private partnerships, and in-kind contributions from its member organizations. The Program has an annual budget between \$0.5-\$1 million. Lancaster is seasoned in working with government agencies, watershed groups, private landowners, and the general public on various restoration projects, planning efforts, and community projects.